

CLAIMS

1. A button (13) for navigating among a plurality of functions shown on a display screen (10) of an electronic device (1) including a support (9) adapted to receive a coupling member (11) including a moving component (11a), the button being shaped so that when it is fitted to the device it can be dynamically coupled to the moving component (11a) and including coupling means for coupling it to guide means provided on the electronic device to confer on the button the degrees of freedom necessary for the moving component to function, which button is characterized in that the coupling means include rotation means which co-operate with the guide means to allow rotation of the button in one direction.

2. A button according to claim 1, characterized in that it includes a housing (13a) whose inside face has a shape complementary to that of the moving component (11a) of the coupling member (11) and receives the moving component when the button is coupled to the electronic device.

3. A button according to claim 1 or claim 2, characterized in that the rotation means include a bearing (13b, 13c) having a substantially part-cylindrical shape.

4. A button according to any preceding claim, characterized in that the coupling means further include means for immobilizing the button against movement in translation in all directions parallel to the face of the device incorporating the outside face of the button.

5. A button according to the preceding claim, characterized in that said means for immobilizing the button against movement in translation include a notch (13f) adapted to interlock with an element (2b, 2c, 2f,

2g, 2h) of the guide means.

6. A button according to the preceding claim, characterized in that the outside face of the button has a domed portion (13d) which has a raised surface (13e) to facilitate manipulating it.

7. An electronic device provided with a button for navigating among a plurality of functions shown on a display screen (10) of the electronic device, characterized in that the button is a button according to any preceding claim.

8. Application of the electronic device according to the preceding claim to a telecommunication terminal.